NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO Docket No. THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES (Small Entity) 99-078 In Re Application Of: JAY S. WALKER et al. JAN 0 2 2004 Filing Date Examiner Group Art Unit Serial No. CHANG, Sabrina A. 3625 March 31, 2000 09/540,034 Invention: SYSTEMS AND METHODS WHEREIN A THIRD PARTY SUBSIDY AND A MERCHANT SUBSIDY FACILITATE **A TRANSACTION** TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary finally rejecting Claim(s) 1-70 Examiner dated October 10, 2003 Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27. A verified statement of small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27: RECEIVED is enclosed. JAN 0 7 2004 has already been filed in this application. **GROUP 3600** The fee for this Notice of Appeal is: A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0271 09540034 00000126 500271 01/05/2004 JADDO1 165.00 DA 01 FC:2401 Dated: December 29, 2003 Signature Dean P. Alderucci **Attorney for Applicants** PTO Registration No. 40,484 certify that this document and fee is being deposited Walker Digital, LLC with the U.S. Postal Service as ODecember 29, 2003 203.461.7337/phone first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the 203.461.7300/fax Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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